Construction of Roads under PMGSY during Tenth Plan

†198. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether annual targets have been fixed for the construction of roads during the Tenth Five Year Plan under the Prime Minister Gram Sarak Yojana;

(b) if so, what is the number of such villages and small towns targeted to be connected annually during the said Yojana; and

(c) the amount assessed to achieve the said target?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA): (a) to (c) While no specific target has been fixed regarding the number of Habitations to be connected annually during the Tenth Plan period, the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana seeks to provide All-weather road connectivity to about 1.60 lakh Habitations in the rural areas by the end of the Tenth Plan Period (2007) at an estimated cost of Rs. 60000 crore.

Review of schemes for BPL families

199. SHRI HARENDRA SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have conducted any review of various schemes for the Below Poverty Line families;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the beneficiaries of different programmes being announced by the Prime Minister for the BPL families, State-wise;

(d) whether Government propose to review the existing patterns for identifying the BPL beneficiaries; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SHANTA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Ministry of Rural Development is implementing, *inter-alia*, the Self Employment Scheme of the Swarnjayanti Gram SwarozgarYojana (SGSY), the Wage Employment Scheme of the Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) and the Rural Housing Scheme of the Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) exclusively for the benefit of BPL persons living in rural areas. The Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution is implementing the Targeted Public Distribution Scheme (TPDS) and the Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) for the benefit of BPL families. These Schemes are regularly reviewed. The Ministry of Rural Development reviews its Programmes through Meetings of the Performance Review Committee, the Area Officers' Scheme, Monthly Progress Reports and discussions with the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations.

(c) The number of beneficiaries under the Programmes during the year 2001-2002, State-wise is given in the Statement enclosed. (*See* below)

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) The Ministry of Rural Development conducts the Below Poverty Line (BPL) Census in the rural areas of the country in the beginning of each Five Year Plan period, through the State Governments and Union Territory Administrations, for identification of persons living Below the Poverty Line. The methodology and criteria for identification of the BPL households in the rural areas are finalised taking into account the recommendations of an Expert Group constituted for the purpose. The beneficiaries of the Programmes of the Ministry are identified by the Gram Sabhas from the BPL list, which itself is approved by them.

An Expert Group was set up to advise on the methodology and Survey Schedule to be employed during the next BPL Census which is due to be conducted in the current year. The Report of the Expert Group, which has reviewed the criteria adopted in the previous BPL Census and has considered the views of the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations in this regard, has been received and further action to conduct the BPL Census has been initiated.

Statement

Achievement under major Schemes for BPL Persons during 2001-2002

Sl. No.	State/UT	JGSY Lakh Mandays	SGSY No. of Swaroz-garis	EAS lakh Man-days	IAY No. of Houses	TPDS Estima-ted No. of BPL Families (In Lakhs)	AAY Estima-ted No. of Fami-lies (In Lakhs)
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	Andhra Pradesh	143.94	79211.00	159.45	82228.00	34.40	6.23
2	Arunachal Pradesh	8.57	1564.00	4.84	4542.00	0.84	0.15
3	Assam	206.71	15805.00	200.66	46817.00	15.55	2.81
4	Bihar	156.17	146925.00	138.13	167979.00	55.23	10.00
5	Chhattisgarh	76.09	26907.00	299.00	22996.00	15.88	2.87
6	Goa	0.57	2016.00	0.09	317.00	0.41	0.07
7	Gujarat	39.32	20963.00	30.42	27497.00	17.95	3.25
8	Haryana	48.84	14847.00	57.94	9814.00	6.68	1.21
9	Himachal Pradesh	13.90	9091.00	11.91	3852.00	4.35	0.79
10	Jammu & Kashmir	21.51	14978.00	11.34	7632.00	6.23	1.13
11	Jharkhand	149.00	70699.00	121.37	49052.00	20.28	3.66
12	Karnataka	84.36	42944.00	88.04	43824.00	26.49	4.80
13	Kerala	31.71	27046.00	33.11	21372.00	13.16	2.38
14	Madhya Pradesh	242.52	63910.00	225.82	64962.00	34.93	6.32
15	Maharashtra	229.39	70602.00	217.08	88773.00	55.32	10.02
16	Manipur	3.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.41	0.25
17	Meghalaya	17.25	8950.00	6.69	3953.00	1.55	0.28
18	Mizoram	4.24	3822.00	5.77	1275.00	0.58	0.10
19	Nagaland	4.28	1138.00	4.08	4441.00	1.05	0.19
20	Orissa	236.80	59233.00	174.28	101443.00	27.93	5.05
21	Punjab	8.75	6272.00	9.75	5317.00	3.96	0.72
22	Rajasthan	72.13	36053.00	82.56	30471.00	20.58	3.73
23	Sikkim	3.39	2145.00	2.01	1754.00	0.36	0.07
24	Tamil Nadu	139.54	54614.00	132.51	43540.00	41.18	7.45
25	Tripura	30.06	20625.00	43.52	10382.00	2.50	0.45
26	Uttar Pradesh	261.08	121400.00	185.68	171944.00	90.42	16.37
27	Uttaranchal	26.74	17715.00	12.38	11245.00	4.22	0.76
28	West Bengal	65.21	15480.00	61.85	71553.00	43.85	7.94
29	A.& N Islands	16.03	470.00	0.13	858.00	0.24	0.04
30	Chandigarh	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.20	0.03
31	D & N Haveli	0.00	26.00	0.03	77.00	0.15	0.03
32	Daman & Diu	0.00	26.00	0.00	66.00	0.03	0.01
33	Delhi	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.46	0.63
34	Lakshadweep	0.21	0.00	0.15	15.00	0.03	0.04
35	Pondicherry	0.19	437.00	0.06	266.00	0.71	0.13